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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (HENRY A. KISSINGER), APER EA

SUBJECT: LAW OF THE SEA HEAD OF DELEGATION

FOR THE SECRETARY FROM INGERSOLL, EAGLEBURGER AND MAW

1. OUR SEARCH FOR SUCCESSOR TO JACK STEVENSON AS HEAD OF LOS DELEGATION HAS CENTERED ON FRANK MELOY, PRESENTLY OUR AMBASSADOR IN GUATEMALA. WE HAVE HAD MELOY IN WASHINGTON FOR THE PAST THREE DAYS FOR INTERVIEWS AND DISCUSSIONS, AND HE HAS BEEN FAIRLY WELL BRIEFED ON LOS PROBLEMS AND DIFFICULTIES. ALTHOUGH NOT SEEKING THE JOB, HE IS READY, ABLE AND WILLING TO UNDERTAKE IT AND COULD BE AVAILABLE WITHIN A FEW WEEKS. WHILE NOT A LAWYER, WE STRONGLY BELIEVE HE WOULD PROVIDE THE NECESSARY LEADERSHIP -- INTER-DEPARTMENTALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY -- AND GIVE THE DELEGATION THE MANAGEMENT AND PUSH ESSENTIAL FOR THE NEXT YEAR. ACCORDINGLY, WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU AUTHORIZE US TO PROCEED TO APPOINT HIM AS "PRESIDENT'S SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE AND CHAIRMAN OF THE LAW OF THE SEA DELEGATION."

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MELOY IS WELL KNOWN TO SENATOR PELL, WHO SUPPORTS THE PRO-

POSAL. ALSO, MELOY IS A PERSONAL FRIEND OF MANSFIELD'S,  
WHICH COULD PROVE HELPFUL.

2. IF YOU AGREE, WE WILL PUT FORWARD NOMINATIONS FOR  
GUATEMALA SOON THEREAFTER. INGERSOLL

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